



State Senator

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VALDE GARCIA

Serving the 22nd District

Shiawassee-Livingston-Southern Ingham counties

Legislative Update

The following bills were introduced this week. Should you wish to learn more about the proposed legislation, please visit www.michiganlegislature.org and enter the bill number where indicated. The web-site will provide you with the bill's language as introduced and an analysis describing how the bill will affect area industry, the economy and consumers.

Senator Garcia is eager to learn how you feel about proposed legislation. He welcomes your responses via e-mail at senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov.

BREAKING NEWS FROM SENATOR GARCIA'S OFFICE A Legislative Bulletin for Residents of the 22nd District

SB 1397 IMPROVE PRISON LIGHTING (Thomas)

Calls for improving the lighting at Mound and Ryan state correctional facilities.

To Judiciary

SB 1398 DETROIT PRISONER MOVEMENT (Thomas)

Calls for restriction of prisoner movement between sunrise and sunset at Mound and Ryan state correctional facilities.

To Judiciary

SB 1399 ESCAPEE APPREHENSION AWARDS (Thomas)

Increases rewards for apprehension of escaped prisoners.

To Judiciary

SB 1400 PRISON EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION (Thomas)

Requires notification to community liaison committee members regarding an emergency at state correctional facilities.

To Judiciary

SB 1401 COMMUNITY LIAISON TELEPHONE (Thomas)

Requires maintenance and annual update of names and telephone numbers for certain community liaison committee members.

To Judiciary

- SB 1402 DETROIT PRISON PERIMETER PATROL (Thomas)
Requires perimeter patrol at the Mound and Ryan correctional facilities.
To Judiciary
- SB 1403 TOLL FREE SECURITY NUMBER (Thomas)
Provides for a toll-free number for the Mound and Ryan correctional facilities for notification of security status or escapes.
To Judiciary
- SB 1404 DETROIT PRISONER/OFFICER RATIO (Thomas)
Revises the required ratio of correctional officers to prisoners at the Mound and Ryan state correctional facilities.
To Judiciary
- SB 1405 UNIVERSAL ABSENTEE VOTING (Brater)
Eliminates qualifications for voting absentee.
To Government Operations
- SB 1406 VOTING RESIDENT ADDRESS (Brater) Permits the resident address on driver's license to be different than the resident address on qualified voter file.
To Government Operations
- SB 1407 ABSENT FIRST-TIME VOTERS (Cherry)
Allows first-time voters to utilize absentee voter ballots.
To Government Operations
- SB 1408 VOTING RESIDENT ADDRESS (Bernero)
Permits resident address on driver's license to be different than resident address on qualified voter file.
To Government Operations
- SB 1409 ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT STORAGE (Patterson)
Provides for state documents and records to be electronically stored.
To Local, Urban and State Affairs
- SB 1410 PUBLIC EDUCATION SPECIALTY PLATE (Patterson)
Creates specialty license plates for public education.
To Transportation
- SB 1411 REZONING PUBLIC NOTICE (Basham)
Requires street addresses of township properties that are up for rezoning to be published on public notices.
To Local, Urban and State Affairs
- SB 1412 REZONING PUBLIC NOTICE (Basham)
Requires street addresses of county properties that are up for rezoning to be published on public notices.
To Local, Urban and State Affairs
- SB 1413 REZONING PUBLIC NOTICE (Basham)
Requires street addresses of city properties that are up for rezoning to be published on public notices.
To Local, Urban and State Affairs
- SB 1414 ZOO PEPPER SPRAY (Schauer)
Allows use of higher concentration of pepper spray by zoo personnel.
To Judiciary

SB 1415 MILITARY CHILD SUPPORT (Garcia)

Provides for retroactive modification of child support assessment for certain military personnel.

To Families and Human Services

SB 1416 COUNTY SUBDIVISION APPROVAL (Birkholz)

Requires county level approval for subdivisions to be at a board meeting comprised of each department involved.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1417 PROPERTY TAX LIMITATION (McManus)

Provides for effective date in 2004 if property tax limitation vote was held August 3.

To Local, Urban and State Affairs

SB 1418 NATURAL RESOURCES CAPITAL SPENDING (McManus)

Creates capital expenditure grant in natural resources trust fund.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1419 TRUCK CARGO COVERS (Brater)

Modifies requirements for covering contents of trucks.

To Transportation

SB 1420 BANNED AQUATIC PLANTS (Birkholz)

Identifies prohibited aquatic plant species.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1421 NONNATIVE PLANT CONTROLS (VanWoerkom)

Revises provisions in Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act regarding prohibitions of release of certain fish species to cover introduction of certain plant species.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1422 GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PLANTS (Stamas)

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1423 NONNATIVE PLANT NOTICE (Gilbert)

Requires Department of Natural Resources to post on its website notices of requirements and penalties regarding nonnative species.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1424 NONNATIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL (Patterson)

Creates advisory council on nonnative species.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1425 NONNATIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL (Allen)

Specifies duties of nonnative species advisory council.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1426 NONNATIVE PENALTIES (Brater)

Clarifies state of mind requirement when determining penalties for violating provisions regarding introduction of nonnative species.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SB 1427 NONATIVE VIOLATION PENALTIES (Basham)

Provides sentencing guidelines for crimes of introducing, possessing or importing certain aquatic plants.

To Natural Resources/Environmental Affairs

SR 298 HUMANITIES COUNCIL (Bernero)

Honors Michigan Humanities Council on 30th anniversary.

SR 299 PORT HURON (Gilbert)

Congratulates Port Huron on designation as Maritime Capital of the Great Lakes.

Committee Hearings

Hearings' times and topics are subject to change.

HOUSE

House Committee Appropriations

Clerk Phone Number 517-373-1260

Location House Appropriations Committee Room, 3rd Floor, State Capitol Building

Date Tuesday, 9/28/2004

Time 2:30 PM

Agenda SB 1146 (Emerson) Health; code; sunset for quality assurance assessment on hospitals, nursing homes, and hospital long-term care units; eliminate.

SB 1164 (Emerson) Health facilities; nursing homes; payment for temporary absence of patient; clarify.

SB 1340 (Switalski) State; escheats; certain unclaimed property by insurance companies subject to 2-year escheat period and notice provisions; modify.

Transfers for the Departments of Agriculture, Community Health, Corrections, Environmental Quality, Family Independence Agency, Military and Veterans Affairs, Natural Resources, State Police and Treasury.

Chair Representative Marc Shulman

House Committee Appropriations: Joint Capital Outlay

Clerk Phone Number 517-373-8080

Location House Appropriations Committee Room, 3rd Floor, State Capitol Building

Date Tuesday, 9/28/2004

Time 4:00 PM

Agenda FY 2005 Capital Outlay Appropriations
Various Use & Finance Statements

Chair Representative Scott Shackleton

House Committee Conference Committee on HB 5313
Clerk Phone Number 373-8080
Location 424 State Capitol Building
Date Wednesday, 9/29/2004
Time 8:30 AM
Agenda Members: Rep. Pumford, Rep. Caswell, Sen. McManus, Sen. Jelinek, Rep. Gillard, Sen. Prusi
HB 5313 (Pumford) Natural resources; other; deed restrictions on certain property conveyed by state; revise and provide for distribution of proceeds upon subsequent conveyance.
Chair Representative Mike Pumford

House Committee Agriculture and Resource Management
Clerk Phone Number 517-373-8538
Location 521 House Office Building, Lansing, MI
Date Wednesday, 9/29/2004
Time 9:00 AM
Agenda HB 5942 (Nitz) Transportation; other; requirement of 20% biodiesel to be included in fuel products; provide for.
Chair Representative Tom Meyer

House Committee Appropriations
Clerk Phone Number 517-373-1260
Location House Appropriations Committee Room, 3rd Floor, State Capitol Building
Date Wednesday, 9/29/2004
Time 9:00 AM
Agenda HB 5510 (Shulman) Appropriations; zero budget; capital outlay; provide for fiscal year 2004-2005.

Transfer for Capital Outlay
Chair Representative Marc Shulman

House Committee Education
Clerk Phone Number 517-373-8538
Location 308 House Office Building, Lansing, MI
Date Wednesday, 9/29/2004
Time 9:00 AM
Agenda To be determined
Chair Representative Brian Palmer

House Committee Energy and Technology: Anti-Trust
Clerk Phone Number 517-373-8538
Location 502 House Office Building, Lansing, MI
Date Wednesday, 9/29/2004
Time 9:00 AM
Agenda Discussion of Anti-Trust Laws Regarding Telecommunications
Chair Representative Ken Bradstreet

SENATE

Senate Committee Transportation
Clerk Phone Number 373-7708
Location Room 110, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933
Date Tuesday, 9/28/2004
Time 1:00 PM
Agenda SB 1383 (Gilbert) Counties; other; installment contracts; allow for county road commissions.

TESTIMONY ONLY:

SB 993 (Kuipers) Vehicles; equipment; seat belt and child restraint violations; provide for points to be assessed.

SB 994 (Birkholz) Vehicles; equipment; seat belts; remove certain exemption.

SB 995 (George) Vehicles; equipment; waiver of fines for certain child car restraint system violations; provide for under certain circumstances.

SB 996 (Basham) Vehicles; other; violation of child restraint law; increase fines.

SB 997 (McManus) Vehicles; equipment; use of child safety restraint system for certain children; require.

Chair Senator Judson Gilbert

Senate Committee Appropriations: Capital Outlay, Joint
Clerk Phone Number 373-2629
Location House Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building, 100 S. Capitol Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933
Date Tuesday, 9/28/2004
Time 4:00 PM
Agenda HB 5110 (Condino) Traffic control; civil infraction procedures; fee for the processing of certain waivable tickets; provide for.

Chair Representative Scott Shackleton
